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Aiea Mill to be Demolished

Crazy Shirts Inc. proposes to demolish the 'Aiea Sugar Mill and develop a new neighborhood shopping center with 118,600 square feet of retail space and 395 parking stalls. The plan requires the redesignation of 13.45 acres from industrial to commercial through the City's Development Plan Amendment process. Other alternatives considered in the EIS Preparation Notice include a light industrial subdivision, and a big-box retailer. The applicant plans to begin construction in 1999 and open the shopping center by the end of the same year.

The site consists of two parcels occupied by the vacant 'Aiea Sugar Mill, existing Hawai'i Agricultural Research Center Laboratory and office and the C&H liquid sugar refinery.

Polluted Streams & Shorelines

The Department of Health is seeking public comment on a draft report that assesses the condition of Hawaii's surface waters and lists the state's most polluted streams and shorelines.

The Water Quality-Limited Waters Assessment examined 87 of Hawaii's 376 perennial streams and approximately 125 miles of coastline. The different streams and coastlines are categorized according to water pollution levels and the most polluted are targeted for cleanup.

With no major industrial operations on the islands, polluted runoff from agricultural lands and urban areas were cited as the major sources of contamination. The study found Hawaii's most polluted waters (based on nitrogen and phosphorus levels, turbidity, and litter) are located in Honolulu and on Oahu's windward side. Ala Wai Canal, Kapa'a (near Kawainui Marsh), Kawa (in Kaneohe), and Waimanalo Streams were excessively polluted.

Copies of the assessment are available

The Aiea mill is listed in the National Historic Register. The 90-day notice of intent to demolish the sugar mill will be issued to the State Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) by the owner. State law requires that government be provided the opportunity to purchase historic properties threatened with demolition. The DLNR has indicated that no funds are available to purchase the site.

The proposed development will have traffic impacts, and will require road, sidewalk, water and drainage improvements, including possible channelization of a portion of 'Aiea Stream. The EIS will discuss and provide details on all public facility issues.

For more details, please see page 6.

at the Environmental Planning Office at the Department of Health and at the Office of the Chief Sanitarian on the Neighbor Islands. Contact Adrian Palomino of the Environmental Planning Office at 586-4339. Comments are due by March 3.

Caring for the Earth Month

Earth-Friendly Schools Hawaii-International, will be presenting *Caring for the Earth Month* in April 1997. The entire month will be dedicated to "earth-friendly" efforts by individuals, schools and others.

For a schedule of events, please see page 21 or call Howard Shapiro at (808) 985-8725. Deadline for registration is March 15, 1997.

Speakers on Marine Issues

The DLNR sponsoring a free speakers bureau featuring Hawaii's prominent scientists with topics on fisheries and other marine issues. For a schedule of events, please see page 12.

Definitions Your guide to the Environmental Review Process

Draft Environmental Assessment

A project or action that may affect the environment cannot be implemented until an Environmental Assessment (EA) is prepared in accordance with HRS §343. If the lead government agency anticipates that the project will have no significant environmental impact, then a Draft EA is written and public notice is published in this bulletin. The public has 30 days to comment on the Draft EA from the date of the first notice.

Final Environmental Assessment and FONSI (Negative Declaration)

If, after the lead agency reviews the public comments, it feels that the project will have no significant effect on the environment, then it will prepare a Final EA and issue a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) formerly called a *Negative Declaration*. The Final EA must respond to all public comments. An Environmental Impact Statement will not be required and the project may now be implemented. The public has 30 days from the first notice of a FONSI in this Bulletin to sue in court to require the preparation of an EIS.

EIS Prep Notice

If the lead agency decides that a project may have a significant environmental impact, it must prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) prior to implementing the project. The first step in preparing an EIS is publishing an EIS Preparation Notice (Prep Notice) in this Bulletin. Agencies, groups or individuals have 30 days from the first publication of an EIS Prep Notice to request to become a consulted party and to make written comments regarding the environmental effects of the proposed action. The draft EIS must respond to these comments.

Draft EIS

If a project is likely to have a significant environmental impact, the lead agency or private applicant must prepare a

Draft Environmental Impact Statement (Draft EIS) prior to project implementation. This document must completely disclose the likely impacts of a project. Secondary and cumulative impacts must be discussed along with measures proposed to mitigate them. The public has 45 days from the first publication date in this Bulletin to comment on a Draft EIS.

Final EIS

After considering public comments filed during the Draft EIS stage, the agency or applicant must prepare a Final Environmental Impact Statement (Final EIS). The Final EIS must respond to all comments from the draft stage. If deeper analysis was required, it must be included in this document. If the project is from a private applicant, the lead agency is authorized to accept the FEIS. If the project is public, the Governor or Mayor is the accepting authority. Only after the EIS is accepted, may the project be implemented.

EIS Acceptance Notice

If the accepting authority accepts a Final Environmental Impact Statement, a separate EIS Acceptance Notice will be published in this Bulletin. The public has 60 days from the date of first notice of acceptance to sue in court to challenge the acceptance of an EIS.

NEPA

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) is the law that requires federal projects to prepare an EIS. It is similar to Hawaii's law. Some projects require both a state and federal EIS and the public comment procedure should be coordinated. Although not required by law, the OEQC publishes NEPA notices in this Bulletin to help keep the public informed of important actions.

Special Management Area Permits

The Special Management Area (SMA) is along the coastlines of all our islands. Most development in this area requires a Special Management Permit (SMP). The Counties regulate development

of this area. On Oahu, the County law requires an EA be prepared to accompany a permit application. This Bulletin posts notice of these SMP applications to encourage public input.

Shoreline Certifications

State law requires that Hawaii shorelines be surveyed and certified when necessary to clearly establish the regulatory building setback (usually 40 feet inland from the shoreline). The public may participate in the process to help assure accurate regulatory boundaries. Private land owners often petition to have their shoreline certified prior to construction. This Bulletin publishes notice of both shoreline certification applications and of final certifications or rejections.

Environmental Council

The Environmental Council is a fifteen-member citizen board appointed by the Governor to advise the State on environmental concerns. The council makes the rules that govern the Environmental Impact Statement process. The agendas of their regular meetings are published in this Bulletin and the public is invited to attend.

Exemption Lists

Government agencies must keep a list describing the minor activities they regularly perform that are declared exempt from the environmental review process. These lists are reviewed and approved by the Environmental Council. This Bulletin will publish an agency's draft exemption list for public comment prior to Council decision making.

Conservation District Permits

Use of land in the State Conservation District requires a Conservation District Use Application (CDUA). These applications are reviewed and approved by the Board of Land and Natural Resources (BLNR). Members of the public may intervene in the permit process. Notice of these permit applications is published in this Bulletin.

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Draft Environmental Assessments



(1) Aloha Wedding Chapel (Special Management Area)

District: Koolaupoko **TMK**: 4-7-11:07

Applicant: World of Aloha, Inc.

2667 B Tantalus Drive Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Contact: Linda Wong (533-4572)

Accepting

Authority: City and County of Honolulu

Department of Land Utilization 650 South King Street, 7th Floor

Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Contact: Ardis Shaw-Kim (527-5349)

Consultant: Analytical Planning Consultants, Inc.

84 North King Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Contact: Donald Clegg (536-5695)

Public Comment

Deadline: March 10, 1997

Status: DEA/SMA First Notice, pending public

comment. Address comments to the applicant with copies to the accepting authority,

the consultant and OEQC.

The project site is located on a 82,182 square-foot parcel in Kahaluu. The shoreline property is bordered on its northern and northeastern sides by the Kahaluu Multi-Purpose Channel System and Kaneohe Bay, respectively. The Kahaluu Fish Pond borders the property on the east. "Noriko's", a commercial retail establishment, is to the west.

The applicant proposes to construct a 1,500 square-foot wedding chapel on the northeast portion of the commercially zoned parcel. An access driveway, on-site parking, utility infrastructure, gazebo, and landscaping are also part of the proposed project which will affect approximately 32,000 square feet of the entire lot.

The property is currently vacant except for a structure which is accessory to the Kahaluu Fish Pond. This structure will remain. Minimal grading is proposed as the lot consists of fill and is relatively flat.



(2) Puu Papaa Television Translator Facility

District: Koolaupoko **TMK**: 4-4-12:1

Applicant: KFVE Television

150-B Puuhale Road Honolulu, Hawaii 96819

Contact: Bryan Holmes (842-5555)

Accepting

Authority: Department of Land and Natural Resources

P.O. Box 621

Honolulu, Hawaii 96809

Contact: Don Horiuchi (587-0381)

Public Comment

Deadline: March 10, 1997

Status: DEA First Notice, pending public comment.

Address comments to the applicant with copies to the accepting authority and

OEQC.

The project consists of the operation and maintenance of a television translator station. This facility will be located on Kaneohe Ranch Land, in the Oneawa Ridge at a site identified as Puu Papaa in Kaneohe, County of Honolulu.

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KFVE Joint Venture holds a construction permit from the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to construct and conduct operation of the facility on Channel 44 with translator call sign of K44DQ.

Telephone and electrical power and access to the site are in existence. Our proposed facilities will consist of a 60-foot antenna support structure and associated antennae, a 12' by 12' equipment shelter, and possibly an emergency generator.

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(3) Adair Single Family Residence

District: Koolaupoko **TMK**: 4-4-38:02

Applicant: Robin Dennis & Cynthia Sue Adair

44-684 Iris Place Kaneohe, Hawaii 96744

Contact: Robin Adair (235-1920)

Accepting

Authority: Department of Land and Natural Resources

Land Division

1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 220

Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Contact: Sam Lemmo (587-0386)

Public Challenge

Deadline: March 10, 1997

Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

The applicant proposes to construct a 4,941 sq. ft., single family residence with a two car carport at Kaneohe, Hawaii. The residence would be a wood framed pole house with poured in place concrete footings. The carport would be on a concrete slab on grade.

The existing structure on the property currently accommodates a single family residence while the conservation zoned area of property is currently vacant. Access to the property is over an existing driveway which connects Iris Place.

The street address for the project site is 44-684 Iris Place, Kaneohe.



(4) Kamakee Street Realignment

District: Honolulu
TMK: 2-3-01:por. 1
Applicant: Victoria Ward, Ltd.

1210 Auahi Street, Suite 115 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Contact: H. Mitchell D'Olier (591-8411)

Accepting

Authority: Hawaii Community Development Authority

677 Ala Moana Boulevard, Suite 1001

Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Contact: Alex Achimore (587-2870)

Consultant: Group 70 International, Inc.

925 Bethel Street, 5th Floor Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Contact: Jeffrey Overton (523-5866)

Public Challenge

Deadline: March 10, 1997

Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

The proposed action is the realignment of the segment of Kamakee Street between Ala Moana Boulevard and Auahi Street. The intersection of Kamakee Street with Ala Moana Boulevard will be relocated approximately 115 feet Ewa of its existing location. The proposed action will create a four-way signalized intersection including Ala Moana Park Drive, providing greater movement of traffic within and through Kakaako.

The proposed action will require relocation of the Kewalo Basin Diamond Head entrance 135 feet Ewa of its present location, including its signalized T-intersection with Ala Moana Boulevard. Kamakee Street is located within the boundaries of the Kakaako Community Development District (KCDD). The proposed action requires an amendment to the KCDD Mauka Area Plan.

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(5) Royal Kinau

District: Honolulu **TMK**: 2-1-40:27

Applicant: Royal Kinau Partnership

1816 Makiki Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96822

Contact: Alvin Wong (949-7246)

Accepting

Authority: City and County of Honolulu

Department of Housing and Community

Development

650 South King Street, 5th Floor

Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 Contact: Rae Gee (527-5088)

Consultant: Stanley Yim and Associates, Inc.

1001 Bishop Street, Suite 410 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 Contact: Jason Yim (533-1885)

Public Challenge

Deadline: March 10, 1997

Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

The Royal Kinau site is located in the Hawaii Capitol Special District and is owned by the Royal Kinau Partnership. The parcel is bounded by the dead end portion of Lunalilo Street along the north, Kinau Street along the south, the H-1 Freeway Kinau off ramp along the east, and a State owned vacant lot on the southeast side.

The Royal Kinau project will make available 48 one bedroom units for senior affordable housing and 36 units (24 two bedrooms and 12 one bedrooms) for market sales. The project will also have a private park with picnic tables and barbecue facilities. The park site will be fenced and land-scaped. Parking will be available on two levels for 57 total stalls.

The project's building plans call for the construction of a twelve story residential tower apartment building along with a lower floor level for senior housing amenities, laundry facilities for the senior rental units, the building's electrical and mechanical rooms, a storage area, the trash collection facility, and 34 of the 57 parking stalls. The other 23 parking stalls and the loading stall are on the ground level above.

A new cmu retaining wall is to be built along the east side of the residential tower to accommodate grade differences at that location. There will also be improvements and modifications to the sidewalk areas along the Lunalilo Street frontage and the Lunalilo & Kinau Streets intersection.

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(6) Aiea Sugar Mill Demolition and Development of New Shopping Center

District: Ewa

TMK: 9-9-05:10 and 25 Applicant: Crazy Shirts, Inc.

99-969 Iwaena Street Aiea, Hawaii 96701

Contact: Dennis Taylor (487-9919)

Accepting

Authority: City and County of Honolulu, Planning

Department

650 South King Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 Contact: Tim Hata (527-6070)

Consultant: Gray, Hong, Bills & Associates, Inc.

119 Merchant Street, Suite 607 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 Contact: David Bills (521-0306)

Public Comment

Deadline: March 10, 1997

Status: EISPN First Notice, pending public

comment. Address comments to the applicant with copies to the accepting authority, the consultant and OEQC.

The applicant, Crazy Shirts, Inc., is seeking an amendment to the City and County of Honolulu's Development Plan Land Use Map for the Primary Urban Center for the proposed Aiea Sugar Mill project. The amendment request proposes to redesignate approximately 13.45 acres of land from industrial to commercial.

The proposed site is located in Aiea bounded by Aiea Heights Drive, Hakina Street and residential homes to the north, Ulune Street to the west, and Kulawea Street to the east. The site consists of two parcels occupied by the vacant Aiea Sugar Mill, existing Hawaii Agricultural Research Center laboratory and office and the C&H liquid sugar refinery.

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The sugar mill has been entered into the National Historic Registry. The 90-day notice of intent to demolish the sugar mill will be issued to the Department of Land and Natural Resources (DLNR) by the owner. DLNR has indicated there are no funds available for purchase of the property by DLNR or related agencies. The owner is currently offering the property for purchase to other sections of the State, however, preliminary feedback is there are no funds available for purchase.

The project as proposed will have impact on traffic, and will require road, sidewalk, water, and drainage improvements, including possible channelization of a portion of Aiea Stream. The project will also generate solid waste which will be collected by private or City refuse trucks. Police and fire protection services will be provided by the City. Electricity, cable, and television will be provided by private publicly regulated utilities. The EIS will discuss and provide details on all public facility issues.

The applicant proposes to develop a neighborhood shopping center of approximately 118,600 square feet, including 395 parking stalls. The applicant proposes to begin construction in the first quarter of 1999 and open the shopping center in the fourth quarter of 1999.

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)



(7) Install Security Lighting, New Asphalt Pavement, Drain Inlet and Piping at Air Mobility Command, Ramp at Hickam Air Force Base (FONSI)

TMK: 1-1-03-01

Applicant: Lt. Col. Ralph Graves, District Commander

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Honolulu,

Engineer District Building 230

Fort Shafter, Hawaii 96858-5440 Contact: Edward Yamada (438-5421)

Accepting

Authority: 15 CES/CEV

Hickam AFB, Hawaii 96853-5233 Contact: Donald Sanders (449-9122) **Public Comment**

Deadline: February 22, 1997

Status: NEPA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

The mission of the U.S. Air Force, Headquarters, 615th Air Mobility Support Group is to provide Pacific En Route Professionals Providing World Class Air Mobility Support at Hickam Air Force Base, Oahu, Hawaii. This is accomplished by providing launching and recovering aircraft and crews, on/off loading cargo, and directing missions that includes command and control. The proposed action is to install security lighting, new asphalt pavement, drain inlet and piping at the Air Mobility Command (AMC) Ramp.

Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments

Draft Environmental Assessments

★ BHP Gas Express Lualualei Station No. 46 (Special Management Area)

Applicant: BHP Petroleum Americas (Hawaii), Inc.

P.O. Box 3379

Honolulu, Hawaii 96842

Contact: Edwin Maeda (547-3152)

Accepting

Authority: City and County of Honolulu

Department of Land Utilization 650 South King Street, 7th Floor

Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Contact: Steve Tagawa (523-4817)

Public Comment

Deadline: February 24, 1997

★ Lualualei Beach Estates (Special Management Area)

Applicant: Okada Trucking Company, Ltd.

c/o Sato & Associates, Inc. 2046 South King Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96826

Contact: Kelvin Sato (955-4441)

Accepting

Authority: City and County of Honolulu

Department of Land Utilization 650 South King Street, 7th Floor

Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Contact: Ardis Shaw-Kim (527-5349)

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Public Comment

Deadline: February 24, 1997

\land Makaha Surfside Beach Nourishment Project

Applicant: Makaha Surfside Association

c/o Ind-Comm Management 681 South King Stret Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Contact: Richard Yamasaki (526-2404)

Accepting

Authority: Department of Land and Natural Resources

1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 130

Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Contact: Sam Lemmo (587-0386)

Public Comment

Deadline: February 24, 1997

Draft Environmental Impact Statements

Amfac Commercial and Park

Applicant: Amfac/JMB Hawaii, Inc.

700 Bishop Street, 21st Floor Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Contact: Timothy Johns (543-8929)

Accepting

Authority: City and County of Honolulu

Planning Department

650 South King Street, 8th Floor

Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 Contact: Lin Wong (523-4485)

Public Comment

Deadline: February 24, 1997

Final Environmental Impact Statements Pending Acceptance

▲ New Manoa Public Library

Applicant: Department of Accounting and General

Services

1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 430

Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Contact: Ralph Morita (586-0486)

Accepting

Authority: Governor, State of Hawaii

c/o Office of Environmental Quality Control

235 South Beretania Street, Suite 702

Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Status: FEIS currently being reviewed by the

Governor, State of Hawaii.

★ Waialua-Haleiwa Wastewater Facilities

Applicant: City and County of Honolulu

Department of Wastewater Management

650 South King Street, 3rd Floor

Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Contact: Jared Lum (523-4654)

Accepting

Authority: City and County of Honolulu

Planning Department

650 South King Street, 8th Floor

Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Status: FEIS currently being reviewed by the

Planning Department, City and County of

Honolulu.



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(1) Olinda Water Treatment Facility

District:MakawaoTMK:2-3-06:006Applicant:County of Maui

Board of Water Supply 200 S. High Street Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Contact: David Craddick (243-7816)

Accepting

Authority: County of Maui

Board of Water Supply 200 S. High Street Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Contact: David Craddick (243-7816)

Consultant: M & E Pacific, Inc.

1001 Bishop Street Suite 500, Pauahi Tower Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Contact: James Okazaki (521-3051)

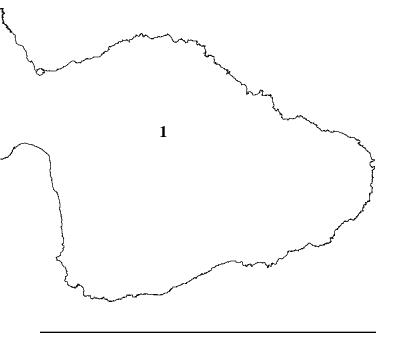
Public Comment

Deadline: March 10, 1997

Status: DEA First Notice, pending public comment.

Address comments to the applicant with copies to the consultant and OEQC.

The proposed project involves upgrades to the Olinda Water Treatment Facility. This work includes the replacement of the existing valveless filters with a microfiltration system and filtration building, new percolation pond and a decant recycle pump station. The existing cesspool will be demolished and a septic tank and leach field will be provided for sanitary waste disposal. A new emergency generator will be provided to enable operation of essential components of the facility during power outages. The preliminary construction estimated cost of the project is \$3,500,000.



Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments

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Lahaina Courthouse Restoration

Applicant: County of Maui, Office of the Mayor

200 South High Street Wailuku, Hawaii 96793 Contact: Jeff Chang (243-7217)

Accepting

Authority: Same as above.

Public Comment

Deadline: February 24, 1997

Lahaina Reconstruction of Commercial Building

Applicant: Susan Kuwada (244-4750)

870 Pakelo Place

Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Accepting

Authority: County of Maui, Planning Department

250 South High Street Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Contact: Colleen Suyama (243-7735)

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Public Comment

Deadline: February 24, 1997

► Maui Religious Science Center Use of Roadway as Off-Street Parking

Applicant: Maui Religious Science Church

Science of Mind Center

P.O .Box 400

Kihei, Hawaii 96753 and Joseph Sugarman 3066 South Kihei Road Kihei, Hawaii 96753

Contact: Kristin Holmes (879-3316)

Accepting

Authority: Department of Land and Natural Resources

1151 Punchbowl Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Contact: Philip Ohta (984-8100)

Public Comment

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Accepting

Authority:



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(1) Kulana Oiwi Multi-Service Center

District: Molokai

TMK: 5-2-09-12 and 30

Applicant: KULANA OIWI CONSORTIUM:

State of Hawaii Department of Hawaiian

Home Lands

335 Merchant Street, Room 202 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 **Office of Hawaiian Affairs** 711 Kapiolani Blvd., Fifth Floor

Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 **The Queen Emma Foundation**615 Piikoi Street, Suite 701

Honolulu, Hawaii 96814

Kamehameha Schools Bernice Pauahi Bishop Estate

567 South King Street, Suite 200 Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Queen Liliuokalani Children's Center

1300 Halona Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96817

ALU LIKE, Inc.

567 South King Street, Fourth Floor

Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Department of Hawaiian Home Lands 335 Merchant Street, Room 202

Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 Contact: Ray Soon (586-3823)

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Consultant: PBR Hawaii

Pacific Tower, Suite 650 1001 Bishop Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Contact: Yukie Ohashi (521-5631)

Public Comment

Deadline: March 10, 1997

Status: DEA First Notice, pending public comment.

Address comments to the applicants with copies to the accepting authority, the

consultant and OEQC.

Kulana Oiwi is a proposed multi-service center at Kalamaula, Molokai on State of Hawaii land under the management of the Department of Hawaiian Home Lands. The consortium partnership includes: DHHL, The Queen Emma Foundation, Kamehameha Schools Bishop Estate, Queen Liliuokalani Children's Center, ALU LIKE, Inc. and the Office of Hawaiian Affairs. The center is designed to house the offices and programs run by these Hawaiian organizations. The concept of a "one-stop service center" for the Hawaiian people will facilitate the coordinated delivery of government and private services more efficiently.

Kulana Oiwi is based on the concept of the *kauhale* or homestead. The *kauhale* was typically a complex of houses serving different purposes for the needs of the *ohana*. At Kulana Oiwi, each agency will be providing different services, such as child welfare, social and educational services for youth, health care services, and vocational training services geared to strengthen Hawaiian families, values and culture.

The agencies will be housed in separate buildings and share common areas including a Halau. The grounds will be landscaped with native Hawaiian plantings. Total area under roof is 28,000 sq. ft.; total project land area is approximately five acres. The building clusters will be served by three parking lots with a total of 99 parking stalls. Access to the project will be from Maunaloa Highway.

Infrastructure improvements are included in the project design. New potable water lines will tie-in to the DHHL Kalamaula Residence Lots water system located to the north of the project. A new individual wastewater system and drainage improvements will be constructed on-site. Utility hook-ups are available at Maunaloa Highway.

Construction of the project is planned to begin by mid-1997. The completion of construction is expected by mid-1998, and occupation by the agencies is anticipated between June and August 1998. The estimated cost of this project is approximately \$8 million.

Final Environmental Assessments/Findings of No Significant Impact (FONSI)



(2) Ohiapilo Wetland Enhancement

District: Molokai

TMK: 5-2-11:por. 1 and por. 33

Applicant: County of Maui

Department of Public Works and Waste

Management

200 South High Street Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Contact: Charles Jencks (243-7845)

Accepting

Authority: County of Maui

Department of Public Works and Waste

Management

200 South High Street Wailuku, Hawaii 96793

Contact: Charles Jencks (243-7845)

Consultant: Munekiyo and Arakawa, Inc.

305 High Street, Suite 104 Wailluku, Hawaii 96793

Contact: Milton Arakawa (244-2015)

Public Challenge

Deadline: March 10, 1997

Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

The applicant, the County of Maui, Department of Public Works and Waste Management, is proposing to enhance approximately 25.4 acres of Ohiapilo Pond on the Island of Molokai. The enhancement site is located approximately two (2) miles west of Kaunakakai. The enhancement of Ohiapilo Pond addresses the unauthorized encroachment of approximately 6.55 acres of wetland at the County's Kalamaula Landfill. (The Kalamaula Landfill stopped receiving refuse in October 7, 1993. The engineering closure of the facility was completed on August 14, 1994.) This mitigation action is proposed pursuant to an Administrative Order on Consent which was executed by the County of Maui and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency on June 17, 1994.

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The enhancement site is part of the larger 60-acre Ohiapilo Wetland site. Through the mitigation action, approximately 25.4 acres of the southern portion of Ohiapilo Pond and its surrounding areas will be enhanced such that the endangered wildlife and plant life of the area will benefit.

Primary to the restoration of the Ohiapilo wetland area is the removal of unwanted vegetation. Invasive species, such as pickleweed, Red Mangrove, and Indian Fleabane, have reduced the available open-water areas, which serve as a habitat for native waterbirds. Second, excavation to the groundwater table will be implemented at selected areas to provide additional open mudflat areas which will establish varying depths of water conditions.

To ensure the protection of the wetland plants and wildlife, a moat and predator-proof fence will be constructed along the perimeter of the site. The proposed fenced area will be set off of the main pond by an approximate 50-foot buffer, thus allowing for nesting along the periphery of the openwater area. The 25.4-acre wetland will be protected by a 300-foot wide buffer zone.

In addition to the foregoing, accessory improvements will be provided, including a temporary access road to facilitate debris removal and excavation work, and maintenance pathways and observation areas to facilitate the long-term management of the enhanced wetland.

The subject property is owned by the State of Hawaii, Department of Hawaiian Home Lands (DHHL). The DHHL has granted a license to the County of Maui for use of the subject parcel for wetland enhancement purposes.



DLNR Speakers Bureau

Department of Land and Natural Resources presents a free Evening Speakers Bureau featuring Hawaii's prominent scientists with topics on fisheries and other marine resources.

Time: 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. **Location**: Kalanimoku Building

DLNR Education Center, Room 130

1151 Punchbowl Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

February 13 (Thurs) - HAWAII'S MARINE

RESOURCES - WHERE IS MANAGEMENT GOING? Learn about Hawaii's aquatic environment and what is needed to sustain and manage it. Guest speaker: William Devick

February 20 (Thurs) - HAWAII'S INSHORE

MARINE FISHERIES - WHAT IS OUR STATUS? Join us for a review of current research being conducted as part of the Main Hawaiian Islands Marine Resource Investigation (MHI-MRI) and learn about the status of Hawaii's nearshore fisheries. Guest *Speaker: Dr. Kimberly Lowe*

February 26 (Wed) - TRACKING SHARKS AND PAPIO - WHERE DO THEY GO?

Did you ever wonder where sharks go at night or how often they feed? Do you want to know the secrets to tracking papio? Join us for a fascinating talk on Fish Tracking Research and learn about the movement patterns of some of our important fish species in Hawaii. Guest Speaker: Dr. Kim Holland

Free parking available in the Kalanimoku Building garage. For more information or a schedule of future topics and speakers, phone 587-0393.

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Draft Environmental Assessments



(1) Keaau Community Center **Improvements**

District: Puna

TMK: 1-6-143:por. 39, 38, 18 **Applicant:** County of Hawaii

Department of Parks and Recreation

25 Aupuni Street Hilo, Hawaii 96720

Contact: Glen Miyao (961-8311)

Accepting

Authority: County of Hawaii

Office of the Mayor 25 Aupuni Street Hilo, Hawaii 96720

Consultant: Ron Terry (982-5831)

HCR 9575

Keaau, Hawaii 96749

Public Comment

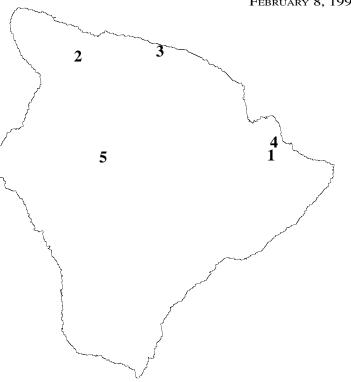
Deadline: March 10, 1997

Status: DEA First Notice, pending public comment.

> Address comments to the applicant with copies to the accepting authority, the

consultant, and OEQC.

The Keaau Community Center provides a vital meeting place for community groups and senior citizens in Puna. The Center currently lacks interior space, sufficient parking and water pressure for fire protection. The proposed project consists of three actions that would jointly improve the facilities, grounds, and infrastructure of the Center. The Keaau Community Center addition component involves construction of a one-story, 2,000 sf. addition on the southeast face of the existing Center. The gabled roof, trim and grooved plywood siding of the addition matches the exterior appearance of the existing structure. This component also includes providing one handicapped accessible parking stall at the front of the building and an accessible route from the stall to the addition. A new parking lot occupying roughly half an acre and accommodating 40-45 full-sized parking spaces is the second component. The third component is an extension of the adjacent street and water line. The project has received



clearances from the State Historic Preservation Division. The County has worked with community groups to identify, preserve and incorporate nearby ornamental trees to the project landscaping.



(2)Puu O Umi Natural Area Reserve **Fence Construction**

District: Hamakua TMK: 4-9-13-1

Applicant: Department of Land and Natural Resources

Division of Forestry & Wildlife

P.O. Box 4849 Hilo, Hawaii 96721

Contact: Bryon Stevens (933-4221)

Accepting

Authority: Department of Land and Natural Resources

> 1151 Punchbowl Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Public Comment

Deadline: March 10, 1997

DEA First Notice, pending public comment. Status:

> Address comments to the applicant with copies to the accepting authority and

OEQC.

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The Division of Forestry & Wildlife (DOFAW) Natural Area Reserves Program proposes construction of a fence enclosing a portion of the above parcel within the Puu O Umi Natural Reserve. This action is a part of ongoing efforts to protect native forest ecosystems and rare, threatened and/or endangered flora and fauna found within these ecosystems.

The project involves hand clearing of vegetation a corridor no more than 6 feet wide, and erecting a fence using galvanized steel posts, 1 strand of barbed wire along the bottom, and 39" tall hog wire. Approximately 1 1/2 mile of fence will be built, enclosing an area of 120 acres.

The fence will surround a montane bog (a rare and fragile native plant community) and prevent feral pigs from entering the bog.

Final Environmental Assessments/Findings of No Significant Impact (FONSI)



(3) Kealakaha Stream Bridge Replacement, Hawaii Belt Road

District: Hamakua

TMK: 4-1-03:por. 2, 10, 19, 32, 36 & 43
Applicant: Department of Transportation, Highways

Division

869 Punchbowl Street

Honolulu, Hawaii 96813-5097 Contact: Herbert Tao (587-2124)

Accepting

Authority: Department of Transportation, Highways

Division

869 Punchbowl Street

Honolulu, Hawaii 96813-5097 Contact: Herbert Tao (587-2124)

Consultant: Engineering Concepts, Inc.

250 Ward Avenue, Suite 206 Honolulu, Hawaii 96814

Contact: Ken Ishizaki (591-8820)

Public Challenge

Deadline: March 10, 1997

Status: FEA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

The state Department of Transportation (DOT), in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), proposes to construct a new bridge over Kealakaha Stream as part of the Hawaii Belt Road. The existing substandard bridge will remain. However, traffic will be directed over the new bridge which will provide a safer and more efficient route between east and west Hawaii due to its wider structure and more direct alignment across Kealakaha Stream.

The project site is located near the town of Kukaiau in the Hamakua District on the island of Hawaii, approximately 10 miles east of Honokaa and 26 miles northwest of Hilo.

The proposed bridge will be 645 feet in length, consisting of two 12-foot wide lanes with 12-foot wide shoulders on both sides. Three piers ranging in height from 60 to 130 feet and four spans of 140 to 180 feet each are proposed. The centerline of the proposed bridge alignment will be located about 120 feet downstream of the existing bridge. Land acquisition will be required on both side of the proposed bridge due to its alignment, length and side slope grading.

The DOT and FHWA have determined that the proposed project will not have any significant impact on the environment.

Final Environmental Impact Statements



(4) Keaau High School

District: Puna

TMK: 1-6-03:por. 3, 15, 68

Applicant: Dept. of Accounting & General Services

1151 Punchbowl Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 Contact: Brian Isa (586-0484)

Accepting

Consultant:

Authority: Governor, State of Hawaii

c/o Office of Environmental Quality Control

235 So. Beretania St., Suite 702

Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 Group 70 International, Inc.

925 Bethel Street, 5th Floor Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Contact: George Atta or Mary O'Leary

(523-5866)

FEBRUARY 8, 1997

Status: FEIS currently being reviewed by the Governor, State of Hawaii.

The State Department of Accounting and General Services (DAGS) is proposing to construct a new high school on the island of Hawaii to alleviate crowded school conditions at Waiakea High School. The new school would serve Grades 9 through 12 and have a standard design enrollment of 1,400 students and a year-round, multi-track design enrollment of 2,100 students. The first increment of the high school is targeted to open by September 1999.

The continued growth in the Waiakea High School enrollment and constant increase in the Puna District's general population have raised the need to create a new high school. The proposed Keaau High School would accommodate students from Keaau, Kurtistown, Mountain View, Hawaiian Paradise Park, Orchid Land Estates and portions of Waiakea.

The new high school would be located on the edge of Keaau Town and along the makai side of Keaau-Pahoa Road. The school site would encompass a total of 50 acres.

The site is currently comprised of fallow sugar cane lands, a macadamia nut orchard and a nursery plant operation. The landowner has been made aware of the project and has notified the tenant farmers.

The high school is proposed to be developed in four increments. The first increment is estimated to cost \$30 million and the start of construction is estimated to begin in the fall of 1997 and take 24 months to complete. The first increment work includes on-site and off-site improvements, grading, general classrooms, administration building, library, food service building with conventional kitchen and dining room, playfields, covered playcourts, covered walkways, locker and shower facilities, specialty classrooms, access roads and parking areas. Future increments would have additional general and specialty classrooms and support facilities such as a gymnasium and parking areas.

National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA)



(5) Pohakuloa Training Area FY 95 ECIP Photovoltaic/Hybrid System (FONSI)

District: Hamakua

Applicant: Directorate of Public Works

U.S. Army Garrison, Hawaii

Schofield Barracks, Hawaii 96857-5000

Contact: Peter Yuh (656-6411)

Public Comment

Deadline: March 10, 1997

Status: NEPA/FONSI issued, project may proceed.

The United States Army Garrison, Hawaii (USAG-HI), is proposing an ECIP project that would employ a renewable energy source (photovoltaic) to provide the required power to operate the training ranges at PTA, and airfield lighting and instrument landing systems at Bradshaw Army Airfield. These systems would provide for enhanced training capabilities, improved safety and reduced energy consumption. The project would entail the construction of Photovoltaic (PV) Diesel Generator Hybrid power systems for target movers at Range 11, PV power systems for pop-up targets at Ranges 2 and 4, PV power systems to provide power to control towers and bunkers at 10 ranges, and a PV power system to support a new airfield lighting system at Bradshaw Army Airfield. Upon completion of this Environmental Assessment (EA), it has been determined that the proposed FY 95 ECIP Photovoltaic/Hybrid Power System project at Pohakuloa Training Area, Hawaii would not have any unmitigable, significant adverse impacts on the environment. The project does not constitute a major Federal action having significant effects on the quality of the human environment, and therefore, does not require the completion of an Environmental Impact Statement, as defined by AR 200-2.

February 8, 1997

The comment deadline for this Finding of No Significant Impact is March 10, 1997. Please send comments to: Peter Yuh, Jr., Environmental Division Directorate of Public Works United States Army Garrison, Hawaii Schofield Barracks, HI 96857-5000.

Previously Published Projects Pending Public Comments

Environmental Impact Statement Preparation Notices

University of Hawaii at Hilo University Park

Applicant: Department of Accounting and General

Services

1151 Punchbowl Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Contact: Gina Ichiyama (586-0474)

Accepting

Authority: Governor, State of Hawaii

c/o Office of Environmental Quality Control 235 South Beretania Street, Suite 702

Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Public Comment

Deadline: February 24, 1997



Shoreline Notices

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Shoreline Certification Applications

Pursuant to §13-222-12, HAR the following shoreline certification applications are available for inspection at the DLNR District Land Offices on Kauai, Hawaii and Maui and at Room 220, 1151 Punchbowl St., Honolulu, Oahu (Tel: 587-0414). All comments shall be submitted in writing to the State Land Surveyor, 1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 210, Honolulu, HI 96813 and postmarked no later than fifteen (15) calendar days from the date of the public notice of the application.

Case No.	Date Received	Location	Applicant	Tax Map Key
OA-467	01/23/97	Lot 4B of Ld Ct App 242, Puuloa, Ewa, Oahu (Fort Weaver Road & Aekai Place)	** ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' ' '	
KA-121	01/22/97	Lot 2, Ka L'ae Kiki Subdiv., Kukui ula, Koloa, Kauai Wag ner Engineering Services, Inc. for (Lawai Beach Road) Mark McCasl in		2-6-12:9
HA-184	01/27/97	Unit 1, Lot 50 Kehena Beach Estates, Kauohana, Puna, Hawaii (Moana Kai Pali Street) *Note: Replacement for application previously published (1/23/97) under Tax Map Key: 1-2-20:16)	Independent Ha waii Surveyors for Robert Smith & Charles Aftoona	1-2-30:16

Shoreline Certifications and Rejections

Pursuant to §13-222-26, HAR the following shorelines have been certified or rejected by the DLNR. A person may appeal a certification or rejection to the BLNR, 1151 Punchbowl Street, Room 220, Honolulu, HI 96813, by requesting in writing a contested case hearing no later than twenty (20) calendar days from the date of public notice of certification or rejection.

Case No.	Date Cert/Rej	Location	Applicant	Tax Map Key
MO- 048	Certified 01/30/97	Lot 2 being all of Grant 680 to Kaholowaa, Accretion to Grant 680 to Kaholowaa & Portions of Grant 2613 to Hakuole & Others & Grant 10,316 to Mrs. Ana Ako, Kahananui, Molokai (Kamehameha V Highway)	ControlPoint Surveying, Inc. for Edwin & May Tasaki	5-6-03:7

Pollution Control Permits

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Department of Health Permits

The following is a list of some pollution control permits currently being reviewed by the State Department of Health. For more information about any of the listed permits, please contact the appropriate branch or office of the Environmental Management Division at 919 Ala Moana Boulevard, Honolulu.

Branch & Permit Type	Applicant & Permit Number	Project Location	Pertinent Dates	Proposed Use
Clean Air Branch, 586- 4200, Covered Source	Hawaii Electric Light Company, Permit No. 0007- 01	Keahole Generating Station, Keahole, Hawaii	Comments Due: March 5, 1997	Two 20MW Combustion Turbine Generators and 16 MW Steam Turbine
Clean Air Branch, 586- 4200, Covered Source	BHP Petroleum Americas Refining, Inc., Permit No. 0089-01-C	140-A Hobron Avenue, Kahului, Maui	Comments Due: Feb. 22, 1997	Petroleum Storage Tanks and Truck Loading Rack
Clean Air Branch, 586- 4200, Noncovered Source	Wilcox MemorialHospital, Permit No. 0320-01-N (Amendment)	3420 Kuhio High way, Lihue, Kauai	NA	Two 100 HP Boilers and 50 lb/hr. Incinerator
Clean Air Branch, 586- 4200, Noncovered Source	Grace Pacific Corporation, Permit No. 0068-01-NT	99-1300 Halawa Valley St., Aiea, Oahu	NA	150 TPH Asphalt Batch Plant
Clean Air Branch, 586- 4200, Noncovered Source	Jas W. Glover, Ltd., Permit No. 0010-02-N	890 Leilani Street, Hilo, Ha waii	NA	10.5 TPH Holow Tile Batch Plant
Office of Solid Waste Management, 586-4240	County of Maui, Permit No. LF-0061-96	Nai wa, Molokai, TMK 5-2-11:27	Date Expire: Sept. 1, 1998	Modify MSW Landfill
Office of Solid Waste Management, 586-4240	County of Kauai, Permit No. RY-0062-96	Wailua, Kauai, TMK 3-9-5:01	Date Received: Oct. 24, 1996	New Auto Salvage & Processing Facility
Office of Solid Waste Management, 586-4240	Hawaiian Earth Products, Permit No. CO-0063-96	Cam pbell Park, Oahu TMK 9-1-14:02	Date Expire: Dec. 1, 1997	Rene w Composting Facility
Of fice of Solid Waste Management, 586-4240	County of Ha waii, Permit No. CO-0064-96	Hilo Baseyard, Hawai i TMK 2-1-13:150	Date Expire: Dec. 10, 2001	New Composting Facility
Office of Solid Waste Management, 586-4240	US Army, DPW, Permit No. CO-0065-96	Sch of ield Barracks, Oahu	Date Received: Dec. 18, 1996	New Composting Facility

Environmental Council Notices

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Environmental Council Meeting Date (Tentative)

Any person desiring to attend the meeting and requiring an accommodation (taped materials or sign language interpreter) may request assistance provided such a request is made five working days prior to the scheduled meeting. This request may be made by writing to Mr. Harlan Hashimoto, Chairperson, Environmental Council c/o Office of Environmental Quality Control, 235 South Beretania Street, Suite 702, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813 or by Fax at (808) 586-4186.

Environmental Council

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, February 19, 1997 at 4:00 p.m.

Exemption Committee

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, February 19, 1997

Cultural Impacts Committee

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, February 19, 1997

Annual Report Committee

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, February 19, 1997

Communication, Education and Legisla-

tion Committee

DATE/TIME: Wednesday, February 19, 1997

Please call on or after February 13, 1997 for the final agenda and confirmation of meeting <u>date</u> and <u>time</u>. Meetings will be held at OEQC, Leiopapa A Kamehameha Building, Suite 702, 235 South Beretania Street.

Federal Notices

Coastal Ocean Data Workshop

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, and the University of Rhode Island Graduate School of Oceanography (GSO) are co-sponsoring a NOAA Coastal Ocean Data Workshop from 8:30 A.M on March 11, 1997 to 12:00 noon on March 13, 1997, to be held at J. Seward Johnson Marine Education and Conference Center at the Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institution in Fort Pierce, Florida. The purpose of the workshop is to enhance NOAA's ability to meet the requirements of its customers in the coastal ocean community regarding data and information management; and to encourage formation of additional partnerships and joint ventures. The National Oceanographic Data Center in Maryland is one of several environmental data centers managed by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration which houses the world's largest collection of publicly available oceanographic data, including coastal ocean holdings. The primary mission of the Center is to ensure that oceanographic data collected at great cost are maintained in a permanent archive that is easily accessible to the world science community and to other users. The Center does not conduct any data collection programs of its own; it serves

solely as a repository and dissemination facility for data collected by others. There are five field offices collocated with major government or private oceanographic laboratories in Woods Hole, Massachusetts; Miami, Florida; La Jolla, California; Seattle, Washington, and Honolulu, Hawaii. Anyone interested in participating in the workshop must contact Ms. Roz Cohen at 301-713-3267, extension 146 by the close of business (Eastern Time) on THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, 1997 (see 62 F.R. 2135, January 15, 1997, for more information).

Flood Elevation Determinations

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has issued a final rule on modified base (1% annual chance) flood elevation determinations for various areas in the County of Maui. These modified elevations, effective August 16, 1996, will be used to calculate flood insurance premium rates for new buildings and their contents (see, 62 F.R. 3227, January 22, 1997, for details).

Federal Notices

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Interim Rule on Civil Penalties

The National Park Service is promulgating an interim rule under the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) setting forth procedures for assessing civil penalties upon museums that fail to comply with applicable provisions of NAGPRA. Comments on this rule are requested. THIS INTERIM RULE BECOMES EFFECTIVE ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 1997. This interim rule will remain in effect until final regulations are adopted through general notice and comment rulemaking. However, written comments on this interim rule are solicited from Indian tribes, Native Hawaiian organizations, museums, Federal agencies and members of the public. Comments will be taken into account in developing a final rule. THE DEPARTMENTAL CONSULTING ARCHEOLOGIST WILL ACCEPT WRITTEN COMMENTS UNTIL MONDAY, APRIL 14, 1997. Comments (2 copies) should be addressed to: Departmental Consulting Archeologist, Archeology and Ethnography Program, National Park Service, Docket No. 1024-AC48, Box 37127, Washington, D.C. 20013-7127 (see, 62 F.R. 1819, January 13, 1997, for more information).

Marine Mammal Stock Assessments

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) has revised the marine mammal stock assessment reports and the guidelines upon which the reports were based in accordance with the Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA). Draft revised reports and copies of the revised guidelines are available for public review. Comments must be received by MONDAY, APRIL 21, 1997. Send comments and requests for copies of reports or guidelines to: Chief, Marine Mammal Division, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service, 1315 East-West Highway, Silver Spring, MD 20910-3226, Attn: Stock Assessments (see, 62 F.R. 3005, January 21, 1997, for details).

Beach Nourishment and Restoration

The U.S. Army Corps of Enginers proposes to issue a general permit (GP 97-001) to restore and enhance beach areas in waters of the United States under the jurisdiction of the Honolulu District. The purpose of the proposed general permit is to expedite authorization of minor non-controversial projects.

Further information may be obtained from Ms. Kathleen Dadey, Honolulu Engineer District at (808) 438-9258, extension 15. The deadline for comments is February 19, 1997.

Letters of Notice

Cunanan Residence

The following are excerpts from a comment letter written by windward Oahu resident Wallace Gretz on the Draft EA for the Cunanan Residence, Oahu.

As a concerned longtime windward Oahu resident, Architect and Planner, I am writing to express my concerns regarding the Draft Environmental Assessment (DEA) necessary for a Conservation District Use Application for the subject project. I am very interested in this beautiful, lush region. My family, friends and I have hiked extensively throughout the area. My daily commute over the Pali to and from Honolulu for the last 27 years have been enhanced by the magnificent scenery along the way. Listed are my concerns related to the project and the DEA. Please address these concerns in your final environmental assessment.

A. The proposed building site is located on a narrow ridge with steep side slopes that parallel the Pali Highway and terminate at Castle Junction. Extensive grading will be required to build on this steep site. Two red earth slide areas are visible between the building site and the Pali Highway. How will you prevent aggravating this ongoing soil slippage problem along the Pali Highway cut areas.

B. Much of the property is steep (50-70% side slopes, see Fig 1). When constructing an access road to the proposed ridge site, how are you going to control drainage, erosion and soil slippage in this heavy rainfall area where mauka flooding occasionally occurs? Will the construction of this access road pass through and disturb the natural drainageway or valley along the northwestern portion of the property? See this discussion under 2.2.1.4 Natural Hazards.

Letters of Notice

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C. Under 2.2.1.0 Access, concerning discussion of repairs to the road, is the owner repairing the washed away area 20 feet deep drop-off on the downslope side where the road has collapsed and the paving width is reduced to 12 feet?

D. 2.2.1.7 Visual Attributes. This section discusses visual attributes as viewed from the site outward. A much more important consideration to be addressed is the visual impact a residence located on this secluded site has on the general public. This house site will be plainly visible as one approaches Castle Junction from Kailua, Kaneohe and Honolulu (see Figure 1 for location).

As an Architect, I'm supportive of private enterprise, real estate development, the housing industry and generally boosting the economy. But, as a Planner I see this land as an inappropriate site for residential use. The City Land Use Ordinance states it clearly. The purpose of the preservation districts is to preserve and manage major open space and recreation lands and lands of scenic and other resource value.

Earth Month Activities

Caring for the Earth Month in April

Sponsored by Earth Friendly Schools

Whale Day

Place: Maui

Time: March 15 - 8:00 am to sunset Sponsor: Pacific Whale Foundation

Contact: Meagan Jones Tel: 879-8860

125th Anniversary of Arbor Day

Place: Tree Planting at schools and in communi-

ties across Hawaii

Time: Month of April 1997

Sponsor: National Arbor Day Foundation/Earth-

Friendly Schools Hawaii-International

Contact: Howard Shapiro

Tel: 985-8725

Keiki Summer Expo 1997

Place: Ala Moana Park - Magic Island, Oahu

Tme: April 6 - 8:00 am to 1:00 pm

Sponsor: Atlantis Submarine
Contact: Wendy Ching
Tel: 973-2496

Sustainable Maui - Vision & Action Conference

Place: Grand Wailea Hotel, Maui

Time: April 11 - All Day
Sponsor: Maui Tommorow Inc.
Contact: Scott Crawford
Tel: 573-3122

Keep Hawaii Beautiful Day

Place: Island of Hawaii

Time: April 19 - 8:00 am to 12:00 pm

Sponsor: Keep Hawaii Beautiful

Contact: Sonja Okano Tel: 935-7769

Artists and the Environment Outreach Project

Place: At schools throughout Hawaii

Time: Month of April 1997

Sponsor: Earth-Friendly Schools Hawaii-Interna-

tional

Contact: Howard Shapiro

Tel: 985-8725

